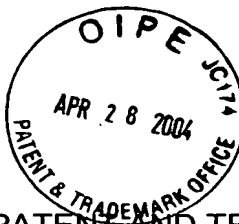


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For: METHOD FOR DELIVERING MESSAGES IN A WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS
SYSTEM USING THE SAME PROTOCOL FOR ALL TYPES OF MESSAGES

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Sir:

THIS IS NOT A RESPONSE TO THE OUTSTANDING FINAL OFFICE ACTION,
DATED FEBRUARY 20, 2004.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to Applicants with the next Office communication to indicate that the references has been considered, per MPEP § 609.

This Information Disclosure Statement is based on a Japanese Office Action, dated February 2, 2004, in a corresponding foreign application. No certification or fee is required.

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Two U.S. patents have been submitted in lieu of their foreign language counterparts as cited in the Japanese Office Action. U.S. Patent 5,333,266 corresponds to JP 6-44157 and U.S. Patent 6,321,257 corresponds to WO 98/11744.

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Patent Application No. 2000-555454

The above mentioned application is considered to be subject to rejection on the grounds set out hereunder. If the applicant has anything to say, he should file an argument within three months from the date of dispatch of this document.

Ground

The invention under the present application is considered to have been easy to invent for those skilled in the art on the basis of the invention described in the following publication which was circulated in Japan prior to the present application and, therefore, it is considered unpatentable in view of the provisions of Article 29, Para. 2 of the Patent Law.

Reference 1: Japanese Patent Laid-Open Publication No.6-44157

Reference 2: PCT International Publication of WO98/11744

Reference 3: U.S. Patent No.5446678

Regarding claims 1 to 23, please refer to Refs.1 to 3.

Ref. 1 discloses an integrated system 350 (see Fig. 7), which system can process speech, facsimile, video, and text, so as to collect and generate any type of media messages by utilizing any type of terminal interfaces.

The present invention would have been easily made by applying various types of messages in Reference 2 to a short message shown in Reference 1.

Reference 3 discloses the fact that information can be split into groups for transmission (each group having smaller predetermined amount of information), when the amount of the information is massive (see column 2, lines 6 to 15 and column 4, line 37 to column 8).